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In re Application of

Ake Linidahl et al

Serial No.: 09/700,177 : PETITION DECISION

Filed: January 29, 2001

Attorney Docket No.: 49458/60033

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.181, filed March 31, 2004, for withdrawal of abandonment of the above identified application based on filing of a timely reply. The delay in acting on this petition is regretted.

A review of the file history shows that the examiner mailed an Office action to applicants on July 15, 2003, setting a three month shortened statutory period for reply. Applicants provide evidence in the form of an Office date stamped postcard and an executed Certificate of Mailing showing that they replied on November 17, 2003, including a request for a three month extension of time and fee therefor. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed to applicants on March 23, 2004, when the reply was not timely correlated with the file. In view of the timely reply the Notice of Abandonment was mailed in error and is withdrawn and the application is restored to pending status with the mailing of this decision

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The application will be forwarded to the examiner for further action.

Should there be any questions about this decision please contact William R. Dixon, Jr., by letter addressed to Director, TC 1600, at the address listed above, or by telephone at 571-272-0519 or by facsimile sent to the general Office facsimile number, 703-872-9306.

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